





Today's  
Advertisements.

## HONGKONG RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

A SPOON COMPETITION will take place TO-MORROW (SATURDAY), the 12th instant, over the 200, 300 and 600 yards distances; 7 Shots and a "Sighter" at each. Firing will commence at 2.30 P.M.

F. SMYTH,  
Honorary Secretary.  
Hongkong, 11th September, 1896. [109]

## THE CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby informed that at a GENERAL MEETING held in London recently, an INTERIM DIVIDEND of 3 PER CENT. was DECLARED on the COMPANY'S PREFERENCE SHARES for the SIX MONTHS ending 30th June, this being at the rate of 6 p. cent. per annum.

The DIVIDEND WARRANTS will be ready on the 1st October.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 20th instant till the 1st October, inclusive.

HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 11th September, 1896. [1437]

## FOR SALE.

## THE Norwegian Steamer

"HOEVING,"  
as the new line on the rocks off USTENIA POINT (East coast of Siberia), together with all CARGO left on board and all Deck and Cabin FITTINGS, GEAR, WINCHES, ENGINES, &c. on board, will be SOLD for account of the Underwriters at Vladivostok on the 1st October, 1896.

For further Particulars apply to  
KUNST & ALBERS,  
Wladivostok.

MELCHERS & Co.,  
HONGKONG.  
Agents S.S. *Hordning*.  
Hongkong, 11th September, 1896. [1426]

## THE BALLY PAPER MILLS CO., LTD.

MAKERS OF  
BROWNS, RADAMIS, PRINTINGS,  
WRITINGS, CARTRIDGES, BLOT-  
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Apply to  
J. S. GUBBAY,  
Agent.

7, Queen's Road,  
Hongkong, 11th September, 1896. [1428]

## ZETLAND LODGE.

No. 52, E.C.

AN EMERGENCY MEETING of the above  
LODGE will be held in the FREEMASONS'  
HALL, Zetland Street, on TUESDAY, the 15th  
instant, at 5 for 5.30 p.m. precisely. Visiting  
Brethren are cordially invited to attend.

Hongkong, 11th September, 1896. [1431]

## PHOTOGRAPHY.

KWONG SANG'S NEW STUDIO.  
(JUST STARTED).  
HIGH CLASS WORK GUARANTEED.  
EVERYTHING ARTISTIC.

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THE BEST STUDIO IN THE EAST.  
Give us a trial and you will find that our  
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Opposite the Telegraph Companies' Office.  
Hongkong, 11th September, 1896. [1429]

## DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI.  
THE Company's Steamship

"FORMOSA,"  
Captain Robson, will be despatched for the  
above Ports on SUNDAY, the 13th instant, at  
Daylight.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS LAVER & Co.,  
General Managers.

Hongkong, 11th September, 1896. [1424]

## FOR TIENTSIN.

"CHING PING,"  
Captain Blake, will be despatched for the above  
Port on TUESDAY, the 15th instant, at 5 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
CARLOWITZ & Co.,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 11th September, 1896. [1430]

## ROYAL PACKET NAVIGATION COMPANY OF NETHERLANDS INDIA.

JAVA, CHINA, JAPAN LINE  
OF STEAMERS.

FOR YOKOHAMA AND KOBE.  
THE Steamship

"CASSIUS,"  
Captain M. Unruh, will be despatched for the  
above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 16th instant,  
at 5 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
LAUTS, WEGENER & Co.,  
General Agents.

Hongkong, 11th September, 1896. [1425]

## OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.  
THE Company's Steamship

"PATROCLUS,"  
Captain Dickers, will be despatched on above  
Port on THURSDAY, the 24th instant.

For Freight, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.

Hongkong, 11th September, 1896. [1399]

## Intimations.

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## AERATED WATERS.

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## THE ST. LEGER.

THE ST. LEGER STAKES of 5000 each, for  
three-year-olds, colts and fillies, set off  
the owner of the second horse to receive  
3000, and the third 1000, out of the  
stakes; Old St. Leger Course (about one mile,  
six furlongs, and 130 yards)—23rd  
closed Sept. 18th 1896.

The following is the result of the race for the  
St. Leger Stakes as wired out through Reuter's  
Agency and forwarded to subscribers to Reuter's  
Service by the local agent at 10.35 a.m.  
yesterday:—

LONDON, September 9th.

H.R.H. the Prince of Wales's 5000, 1st; J. Watts's  
The Duke of Westminster's 5000, 2nd; M. Cannon's  
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until experience should have shown how far the work in hand was successful.

From time to time the Shanghai and Ningpo authorities represented, through their respective Viceroys, the awkwardness of conducting postal business without Imperial sanction, and Sir Robert Hart himself, in 1892, officially expressed a fear that serious difficulties would soon arise unless a formal Convention of recognition were accorded before further developments took place. In 1893 the Viceroys Li Hong-chang (Tientsin) and Liu K'ang (Nanking) both drew attention to the proposed extension of the English, American and German local Shanghai post-offices to the other treaty ports, a step which they said must render problematical the success of any Chinese system not begun at once.

The Board next proceeds to give a sketch of European postal history, beginning with the Articles of Union under which sixty independent States now conduct their business of international mail transmission. The mystery of stamp labels according to weight is explained, as also the distinction between closed letters, unsealed communications, post-cards, and samples. Stress is laid upon the all-important points of secrecy, honesty, and security; but at the same time the collateral advantage is alluded to that "we shall be able to prevent the entry into China of an enemy's secret letters," a point, however, which it must be admitted, he admitted does not appear in Sir Robert Hart's or Mr. Kopp's recommendations, and is probably a mere gloss. So convinced was the Tsung-li Yamen (Foreign Office) of the desirability of postal reform, especially from the revenue point of view, that in 1893 they seriously called upon Sir Robert Hart to send in particulars of a detailed and practical scheme. After numerous interviews with him, the Yamen had at last received his recommendations in the shape of four articles containing forty-two clauses. It is in the second article, with the approval of the Board of Revenue, that Sir Robert Hart is entrusted with the sole and absolute management of the whole business, including the arrangements for procuring a supply of stamps, but, of course, subject to the general responsible control of the Chinese Foreign Office. Formal application for entry into the Postal Union will be at once made at the headquarters of that Union by the proper Chinese Minister abroad, and those countries having post-offices in China will be called upon to close them. As the Treaty of 1858 and 1859 and the Treaty of 1875 contain special stipulations providing for "each country carrying the other's letters," it is not likely that any Power can raise serious objections now that China is willing to join the Postal Union. The system will be confined at first to the treaty ports and the chief centres near to them. At the beginning there will be no interference with the native offices now serving the interior, and their machinery will be subsequently utilised as far as possible when the question of extension arises for consideration. Efforts will be made at the same time to keep the new and old post-offices agencies in sympathy with the telegraph offices, so that both may work harmoniously together.

The Board finally proceeds to submit Sir Robert Hart's proposed rules in full. As these are of considerable length, we have naturally only space here to give the most salient points. At the outset Sir Robert recommends the utmost brevity and simplicity; as matters progress, further refinements can be introduced. The thirteen existing Customs Letters Offices will be called Post-Offices, and will be divided into Union and non-Union Offices. The Union Offices will be managed by the Customs Commissioners, in consultation with the Chinese Customs Superintendent at each port. The Peking Central Office will be at the Inspector-General's official place, and Shanghai will be the Central Distribution Office for the north ports, south ports, river ports, and foreign countries, under the management of the at present existing special Statistical Commissioners residing there. There will be Branch Union Offices at the 22 treaty ports, and, as business progresses, these branch offices will extend their services to contiguous places of importance; for instance, to Tientsin, Tangku, and the railway stations near Tientsin; to Fokow, Wanchow, Hankow, Nanking, and Tientsin, near the different river ports; and so on. The agents at such sub-offices will be appointed by agreement between the Superintendent and Commissioner at the nearest Union Office. Mail matter will consist of closed letters, open letters, trade samples, and printed matter, and each office will divide its mail matter into "bags" and "boxes," and the receiving offices may pass on the mail bags, re-packed, and so on as may be. The hours of work will be fixed by the Peking head-office. Mails for treaty ports will be carried by steamer. Mails from the ports for the interior will be transmitted by the existing native letter offices; these last will make their own financial arrangements at present, subject, however, to the general guidance of the Inspector-General. Lists will accompany each bag or box to be returned to the dispatching office. Charges will be of three kinds: for interior, and foreign, letters abroad will pay according to Articles 5 and 6 of the Postal Union, Recipients of letters from abroad to non-Union places must pay to extra charge from the Union port to such place, as must also senders of letters from non-Union places such rates to be fixed and reported by the native inland office. Post charges between Union offices will be one Mexican dollar-cent for post-cards, and 2, 4, or 8 cents for letters, or one Chinese ounce in the case of closed letters. Newspapers will appear to be charged one cent for Chinese and two cents for foreign, but this clause is not quite clear. Samples and printed matter 20 cents (maximum for two cents) for each two ounces. Non-Union places, as with letters. Foreign registered letters, as by Union Articles 5, 6, and 7. Post registered letters and reply letters as by (existing) post rules. Though native offices may fix their own charges, they must report them clearly to the nearest Union office for publication. Further information concerning stamps will be soon forthcoming. All letters, &c., passing through a Union office must carry stamps; these stamps will be sold at the office or by approved agents. Makers of false stamps will be punished just as makers of false coins. Money orders from the Union office to another must not exceed 100 taels (say £15). The rules for the parcel post are not yet complete. Native posts will not be allowed to send their letters direct to steamers; these must pass through a Union office, but native posts can send sealed packages through the Union office to another native post. Penalties for opening and stealing letters are to be enforced according to the law of offender's country, plus the penalties imposed by the Postal Administration. A penalty of 50 taels is to be enforced for sending letters except through Union offices or licensed native posts, and neither employees are declared liable to a penalty of 500 taels for conveying such prohibited mail matter other than bills of lading and other customary commercial or scientific papers. Until the above rules can be brought into working order at the present existing Customs Letters Office rules will be followed. Letters from abroad will be delivered at the ports by the Union offices only. For the present, however, Shanghai (where all the foreign post-offices are) is exempt from the operation of this clause.

To the above recommendations of Sir Robert Hart the Emperor replies by the slogan "Sue."

## DYING DECLARATIONS.

CALCUTTA, August 10th.

The Bombay High Court has recently delivered a judgment, involving the question of dying declarations, which has given rise to much comment and to no little dissatisfaction. As is well known, the law with reference to dying declarations differs in England and in India. In English law the statement of a deceased person is only accepted if the person at the time of making it was in the expectation of death. According to Indian law, on the other hand, a declaration of a deceased person with regard to the circumstances leading to his death is relevant whether the person at the time of making it was or was not in the expectation of death. The Bombay High Court, however, in hearing an appeal against the judgment of the District Judge of Ahmednagar, refused to accept as relevant a declaration of this kind, on the very ground that the deceased, when making it, was not in the expectation of death. In this case three men were accused of having murdered two youths. One of these latter died on the day following the infliction of his injuries; but the other, Hari by name, survived for about ten days. Nearly twenty-four hours after the receipt of his wounds he made a declaration in the presence of a magistrate, implicating the second and third accused in the murderous attack on him. But at this time the hospital assistant attending on him, as well as the patient himself, believed that he would recover. At the trial before the Ahmednagar District Court this statement was accepted as a dying declaration. The first accused confessed his guilt, and alleged that the second and third accused had participated in the murder; while an independent witness was put in who stated that he saw all three men attack the deceased. On these three separate pieces of evidence, viz., Hari's dying declaration; the confession of the first accused implicating the other two; and the testimony of the independent witness, the District Judge of Ahmednagar convicted the three accused and sentenced the first two to death; but imposed the life imprisonment of transportation for life on the third prisoner on account of his youth. On appeal to the Bombay High Court (J. J. Parsons and Ranadive JJ.) the sentence on the first accused was allowed to stand, as he had confessed his guilt. But the sentences on the second and third accused were quashed, on the ground that there was not sufficient evidence to establish their guilt. The learned judges held that the confession of the first accused incriminating the other prisoners, as well as the evidence of the independent witness, were open to serious doubt; and with regard to the dying declaration, Mr. Justice Ranadive observed that "Hari's statement before the magistrate can hardly be regarded as a dying declaration, for the magistrate says that he and the hospital assistant expected Hari would recover in a day or two, and Hari did not die till nine days later. It is not a dying declaration, it is not relevant evidence, as it was taken behind the back of the accused Nos. 2 and 3, who might easily have been sent for at the time." According to the provisions of the Indian Evidence Act the statement of Hari could be construed and accepted as a dying declaration; but the Bombay judges preferred to act in the spirit of the English law, which would certainly not have allowed such a statement to have been put in at the trial. While appellate judges are to be commended for their endeavours to interpret the law as liberally as possible in capital cases, it would be interesting to learn definitely if the lower courts are expected to act in the spirit of the English law or according to the letter of the Evidence Act. The present decision seems to leave the matter in a state of confusion that will cause perplexity to the meek and judicious and magistrates.—*Statesman*.

## CHINA TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

The following is the report for presentation to the shareholders at the thirtieth ordinary meeting to be held at noon on Saturday, the 26th September:

The Directors have much pleasure in laying before the shareholders the accompanying statement of account for the year ended 30th April last.

The net premium amount to \$1,014,325.18 and the Working Account shows a balance at credit of \$607,348.85, which sum the Directors recommend be appropriated in the following manner:

A dividend of 20 per cent. to shareholders.....	\$120,000.00
A dividend of 20 per cent. on Contributions, payable to all contributors of business whether shareholders or not.....	\$160,000.00
To be carried to New Account.....	\$327,348.85
	\$607,348.85

RESERVE FUND.

It is recommended that this Fund be increased to \$1,000,000 by the addition of \$100,000 from Exchange Fluctuation Account, leaving \$164,988.48 at credit of the Reserve Fund, sum sufficient to protect the Company's standing holdings against a rise in exchange to 4s.

DIRECTORS.

Mr. J. Thurnham retired from the Board on leaving the Colony; Mr. J. W. R. Taylor accepted an invitation from the Directors to fill the vacancy, and his appointment is submitted for the confirmation of shareholders. Messrs. J. Kramer and J. W. R. Taylor retire by rotation and offer themselves for re-election.

AUDITORS.

The annexed accounts have been audited by Messrs. T. Arnold and H. U. Jeffries, who offer themselves for re-election.

Hongkong, 10th September, 1896.

J. KRAMER, Chairman.

## STATEMENT OF ACCOUNT.

For the Year ended 30th April, 1896.

Cash in hand.....	70,437.33
Fixed Deposits with Banks.....	115,000.00
Invested in Mortgages of Properties.....	850,451.74
Bonds of Chinese Imperial Government Loan, 1886.....	54,378.02
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd. Debentures.....	150,000.00
Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ltd. Debentures.....	5,545.93
Shanghai & Hongkong Wharf Co., Ltd. Debentures.....	50,916.19
London Branch.....	
Cash in hand.....	90,601.78
Indian Government Securities.....	350,137.20
Remittances in transit.....	23,319.46
	464,148.44
Australian Branches.....	
Cash in hand, in course of collection, and on Fixed Deposits.....	205,319.64
Yokohama Branch.....	
Cash in hand and on Fixed Deposits.....	24,148.09

Interest accrued, but not yet payable.....	17,722.66
Furniture at Head Office and Branches.....	4,089.32
Sundry Debtors.....	53,681.04
	\$245,513.40

Capital Subscribed.....	\$2,000,000
Amount Paid-up.....	600,000.00
Reserve Fund.....	900,000.00
Dividends Outstanding.....	2,816.55
Exchange Fluctuation Account.....	264,988.48
Sundry Creditors.....	78,964.54
Profit and Loss Account.....	607,348.85
	\$2,455,138.40

## WORKING ACCOUNT.

To Loans.....	\$68,268.66
To Charges, Survey Fees, &c.....	219,399.23
To Directors' and Auditors' Fees—Head Office and Branches.....	19,924.13
To Balance to Profit and Loss a/c.....	607,348.85
	\$1,455,550.87

By Premiums, less Re-insurances, return Premiums & Commissions.....	\$1,014,325.18
By Interest on Sale of Securities.....	102,566.71
By Profit realized on Sale of Securities.....	47,961.88
By Transfer Fees.....	238.00
By Exchange.....	5,617.31
By Amount brought forward from last year.....	290,727.79
	\$1,455,550.87

## RESERVE FUND.

To Balance on 31st July, 1895.....	\$900,000.00
	\$900,000.00

By Balance on 31st July, 1895.....	\$800,000.00
Amount transferred from 1894-1895 Account.....	100,000.00
	\$900,000.00

W. H. RAY, Secretary.

Hongkong, 31st July, 1896.

We have compared the above statements with the books, vouchers, and securities of the Company, and found the same correct.

T. ARNOLD, H. U. JEFFRIES, Auditors.

## LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

## SUPREME COURT.

## IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

(Before Mr. T. Sarcombe Smith, Acting Puisne Judge, and a Common Jury.)

September 10th.

## CHEUNG NANG KAI AND LU A KEE V. CHEUNG FAT.

The hearing of this action, in which the plaintiffs sought to recover \$1,000 damages for a libel alleged to have been published by the defendant, was resumed.

Mr. G. C. Mather appeared for the plaintiffs and Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C. (instructed by Mr. Monney), represented the defendant.

The crymen were Messrs. W. B. Walker, S. J. Moore, and C. S. Gubbay.

Additional evidence was called and Mr. Francis then addressed the jury for the defence, referring to the statements contained in the alleged libellous document. It stated that the girl (the daughter of the plaintiff) was disrespectful and unfeeling, that she disregarded her husband and his parents, and that her bearing was improper, this being due, the document stated, to the bad training she received from her parents, the plaintiffs. It was for the jury to place a common-sense interpretation upon the meaning of the words by the content of the statements.

Mr. Mather then briefly addressed the jury for the plaintiffs.

In summing up, his Lordship said there were only two points which the jury had to consider, viz., whether the statement that had been used concerning the plaintiff was defamatory, and if so, was it false or true. He warned the jury not to be guided in the interpretation they put upon the words by any statement made by the defendants as to the meaning they intended. It did not convey to the jury that the defendant had to consider what construction would be placed upon the words by any reasonable person who read them. His Lordship then explained to the jury the law of libel and concluded by asking them to decide whether the statements were defamatory if defamatory, whether they were false or not and what amount of damages had been sustained.

The jury then retired and after an absence of about ten minutes returned with a verdict for the plaintiffs, awarding damages to the extent of \$1,000.

His Lordship accordingly entered judgment for the plaintiffs with costs.—*Daily Press*.

## SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

(Before His Honour Mr. T. Sarcombe Smith, Acting Puisne Judge.)

September 11th.

## VICTORIES.

The following cases were fixed for the respective dates:—

Tuesday, September 15th.

1273—Um Yu v. The Wing Hing Firm \$ 200.65

Wednesday, September 16th.

1270—Lo Kwong Lum v. Hing Lee Hop Kae firm \$ 350.00

Thursday, September 17th.

1280—Ng Wai v. Li Kai (Dissolution of Partnership) \$ 256.66

1281—Ng Wai v. Li Kai \$ 256.66

1294—Li Chong Sing v. Leung Chi Cheung and another \$ 132.30

Friday, September 18th.

1281—Li Yik Loong v. Sin Man Hoy \$ 209.84

1295—Sin Man Hoy v. Li Yik Loong \$ 495.50

Saturday, September 19th.

1297—Gunda Singh v. T. M. Lopes \$ 171.90

## JUDGMENTS.

Judgment was given for the plaintiffs in the following cases:—

1284—Gunda Singh v. F. A. M. Castro \$ 10.00

1285—Kwong Sang Loong v. Kwok Yee \$ 135.50

1286—Kwong Sang Loong v. Hung \$ 19.28

1287—Wong Kwal v. Cheung Sang \$ 10.00

1288—Pak Singh v. M. H. Baptista \$ 60.00

1289—Lau Kiu v. Tsang in Tails \$ 1,000.00

1290—Mooda Singh v. Tsang Chai \$ 10.00

1291—Cheong Sing v. Joseph \$ 13.57

1292—W. Von Zickow \$ 85.73

1293—Chan Kam v. Shookfield \$ 11.00

1294—Loong Pui Shuey and another v. Chan Cheung Tung \$ 21.50

1295—Balad Singh v. M. H. Baptista \$ 1.00

1291—Loong Pui v. M. H. Baptista.....	17.50
1295—Gunda Singh v. J. Allinson.....	14.00
Judgment was given for defendant in the following cases:—	
1278—T. S. Rosario v. C. Mye.....	\$ 27.00

The following cases were settled outside the Court:—

1277—Jack Sing v. L. de L. Barreto.....\$ 36.00

1278—Balad Singh v. J. Allinson..... 50.00

The following case was adjourned for 14 days:—

1282—Leung Hok Wan v. Yung Ping Nam.....\$ 764.25

## SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

## MAILS DUE:

French (Calcutta) to-morrow.

American (Peru) to-morrow.

Tacoma (Victoria) 14th inst.

Canadian (Empress of Japan) 16th inst.

Australian (Australian) 22nd inst.

American (Coptic) 23rd inst.

Tacoma (Olympia) 4th prox.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Ceylon* left Singapore for this port at 5 p.m. yesterday.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Palawan*, from China, arrived at London yesterday afternoon.

THE D. D. R. steamer *Erato*, from Hamburg, left Singapore for this port yesterday afternoon, and may be expected here on or about the 16th inst.

THE Agents (Messrs. Dodwell, Carhill & Co.) inform us that the Northern Pacific Steamship Co.'s steamer *Victoria* left Shanghai for this port to-day, and may be expected here on Monday morning, the 14th inst.

## SHIPPING RETURNS.

From 5 p.m. yesterday to 5 p.m. to-day.

ARRIVALS.

Changchow.....steamer from Singapore.

Chunshun....." " Canton.

Hibokan Maru....." " Kuchino.

Trangphong....." " Hongkong.

Sprahlan....." " Haiphong.

Aggregating 7,773 tons register.

## DEPARTURES.

Hing-shing.....steamer for Hongkong.

Shing-shing....." " Canton.

Arha....." " Australia.

Verona....." " Japan.

Palawan....." " Shanghai.

Sutong....." " Swatow.

Hidlong....." " Coast Ports.

Erato....." " Shanghai.

Changchow....." " Saigon.

Aggregating 14,560 tons register.

## HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK RETURNS.

ARRIVALS.

Acting.....in Kowloon Dock.

Nanyo Maru....." " "

Longmoon....." " "

Arif....." " "

Formosa....." " "

Brilliant....." " Cosmopolitan.

John Batley....." " "

Galle....." " Aberdeen.

Aslan....." " "

## PASSED THE CANAL.

OUTWARD—14th August—*Erato*, Queen Olga, *Idem* Maru, 14th August—*Elfrida*, Oak Branch, *Radley*, 21st August—*Ceylon*, 21st August—*Ozma*, 25th August—*Sardinia*, 21st September—*Prins*, *Hertwich*, *Hertha*, *Howell*, 4th September—*Manila*, *Ten-Kot*, *Oceanic*, *Glenarney*, 8th September—*Antenor*, *Cam*, *Natter* (P).

HOMEWARD—8th September—*Polyphemus*.

## Intimations.

## HONGKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

## NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

CONTRIBUTING SHAREHOLDERS are requested to send in a STATEMENT of BUSINESS CONTRIBUTED during the Half-year ended 30th June, 1896, on or before the 15th September, on which date the Accounts will be CLOSED.

By Order of the Board of Directors, THOS. L. ROSE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th August, 1896.

## LONDON COLLEGE OF MUSIC.

## AN EXAMINATION IN PRACTICAL AND THEORETICAL MUSIC will be held at Hongkong in January next. Applications for entry should be made before September 12th to the LOCAL SECRETARY.

R. RALPHS, A.L.C.M., DICTIONARY SCHOOL, West Point, Hongkong.

Hongkong, 9th September, 1896.

## SHORTHAND AND BOOK-KEEPING: TEACHING EXTRAORDINARY: SCIENTIFIC PRINCIPLES.

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Hongkong, 9th September, 1896.

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AN EXPERIENCED AND TRUSTWORTHY SUB-EDITOR AND REPORTER, FOR THE "JAPAN DAILY ADVERTISER." Apply to THE PROPRIETOR, No. 49, Yokohama.

Yokohama, 28th August, 1896.

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## Intimations.

## NOTICE.

## HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

A SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING of the MEMBERS of the HONGKONG GENERAL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE will be held on THURSDAY, the 17th September, instant, at 3.30 P.M., in the CHAMBER ROOMS, CITY HALL, for the Purpose of:—

Protesting against the action of the Telegraph Companies in suddenly raising their Rates for Europe and America 37½% and 43.25% respectively; and

Nominating a Member of the Chamber for appointment to the Legislative Council.

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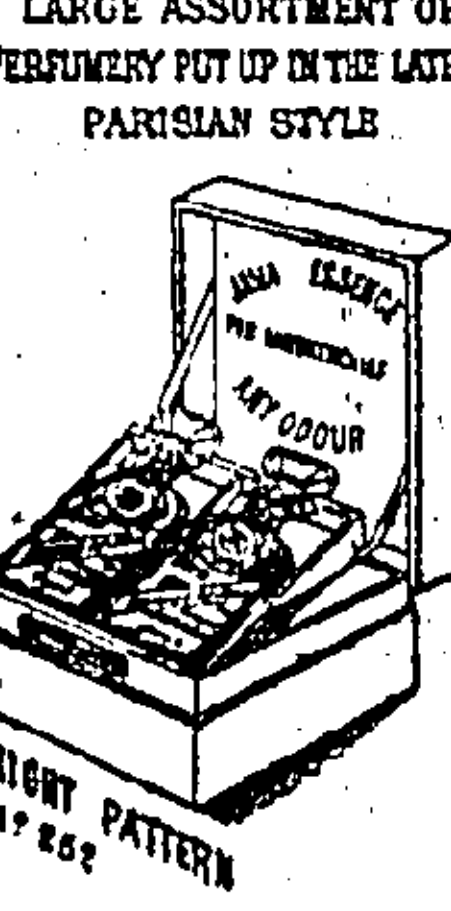
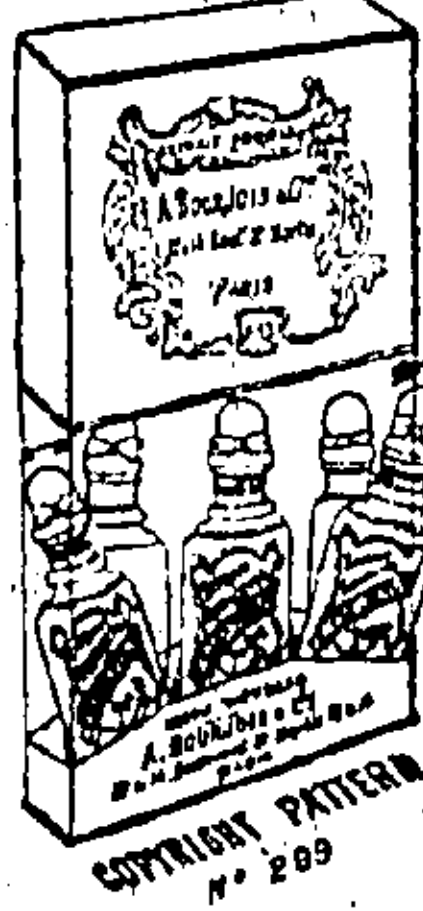
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## Shipping.

### STEAMERS.

#### FOR SHANGHAI.

#### THE Steamship

"LYEEMOON," Captain G. Heermann, will be despatched for the above Port TO-MORROW, the 12th instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SIEGSEN & Co., Hongkong, 10th September, 1896. [1470]

#### OREGON RAILWAY AND NAVIGATION COMPANY'S PACIFIC STEAMSHIP LINE.

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"MOUNT LEBANON" will be despatched for VICTORIA (B.C.) and PORTLAND, OREGON, via KOBE and YOKOHAMA, TO-MORROW, the 12th September.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States Ports should be in QUADRUPPLICATE; and one Copy must be sent forward by the Steamer to the care of the GENERAL FREIGHT AGENT, Oregon Railway and Navigation Co., Portland, Oregon.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to

SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 4th September 1896. [1391]

#### OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

#### THE Company's Steamship

"TANTALUS," Captain Hannan, will be despatched as above on MONDAY, the 14th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents, Hongkong, 3rd September, 1896. [1350]

#### FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

#### THE Steamship

"MANYO MARU" will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 15th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DODWELL CARLILL & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 7th September, 1896. [1404]

#### FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

#### THE Chartered Steamship

"KANGRA," Captain G. D. Clarke, R.N.R., will be despatched for the above Ports on TUESDAY, the 15th instant, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 9th September, 1896. [1412]

#### "GIBB" LINE OF CHINA AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMERS.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE. (Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND Ports if sufficient inducement offers and taking through Cargo to ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.)

#### THE Steamship

"PATHAN," Captain Day, will be despatched for the above Ports on WEDNESDAY, the 16th instant, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., Managers, Hongkong, 4th September, 1896. [1392]

#### AUSTRIAN LLOYD'S STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

(UNDER MAIL CONTRACT WITH THE AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT.)

#### STEAM TO SHANGHAI AND KOBE.

#### THE Company's Steamship

"MARIA VALERIE," Captain Fellner, will leave for the above places on or about WEDNESDAY, the 16th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to SANDER & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 9th September, 1896. [1414]

#### SAILING VESSELS.

#### FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3 1/2 A.L.I. American Ship

"CHARLES E. MOODY," Captain Leach, is loading here for the above Port, and will have quick dispatch.

For Freight, apply to ARNOLD, KARBERG & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 24th 1st, 1896. [1056]

#### FOR BALTIMORE.

THE 3 1/2 L.I. American Ship

"ISAAC REED," Captain F. D. Waldo, is loading here for the above Port, and will have quick dispatch.

For Freight, apply to ARNOLD, KARBERG & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 24th August, 1896. [1055]

#### FOR NEW YORK.

THE 100 A.L. American Ship

"PAUL REVERE," Mulla, Master, shortly expected from SHANGHAI, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick dispatch.

For Freight, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 24th 1st, 1896. [1076]

#### FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3 1/2 A.L.I. American Ship

"SAINT MARK," Dudley, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick dispatch.

For Freight, apply to CARLOWITZ & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 28th August, 1896. [1057]

#### FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE A.L.I. British Ship

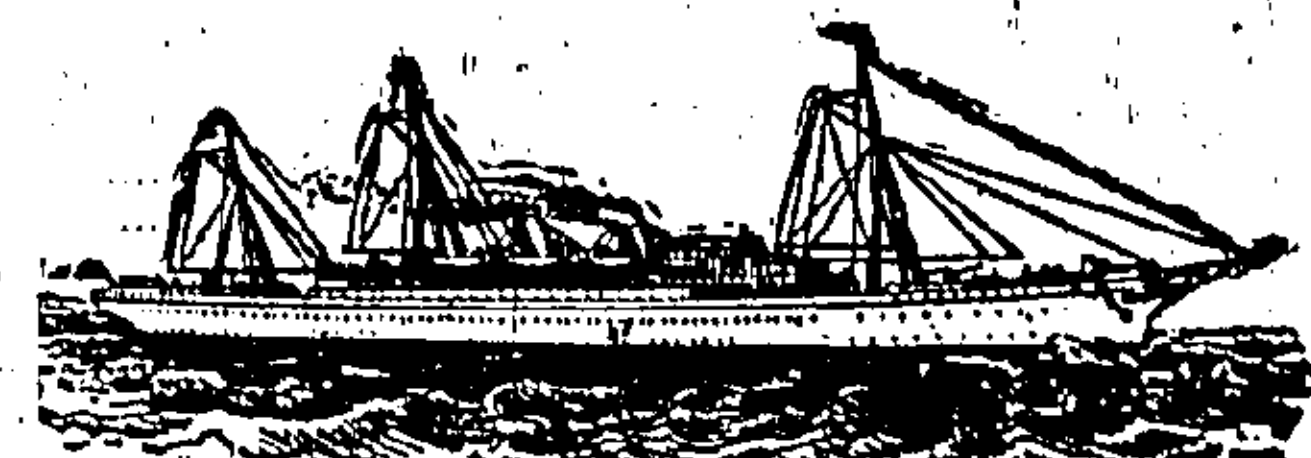
"CASABLANCA," Captain, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick dispatch.

For Freight, apply to SHEWAN, TOMES & Co., Agents, Hongkong, 4th September, 1896. [1391]

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Hongkong, 7th September, 1896. D. E. BROWN, General Agent, Paddis Street. [13]

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PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Belge (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama & Honolulu) Tuesday, 22nd Sept., at Noon.

City of Rio de Janeiro (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama & Honolulu) Thursday, 8th Oct., at Noon.

City of Peking (via Nagasaki, Kobe, Yokohama & Honolulu) Tuesday, 27th Oct., at Noon.

THE U.S. Mail Steamship

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J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent, Hongkong, 25th August, 1896. [14]

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HONGKONG TO TACOMA \$225. Rates of Passage to other Ports on application. Special rates allowed to members of Government Services.

#### PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Tacoma ..... 2,549 | Sunday ..... 3rd Sept 19

Victoria ..... 3,177 | Monday ..... 8th Sept 21

Olympic ..... 2,608 | Friday ..... 10th Oct 9

Braman ..... 1,601 | Tuesday ..... 10th Oct 27